

**COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES – DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH
TRANSITION-AGE YOUTH SYSTEM OF CARE**

Transition-Age Youth (TAY) Division

VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

**PSYCHIATRIC SOCIAL WORKER II
OR
MENTAL HEALTH CLINICIAN II**

The Transition Age Youth (TAY) Division is actively seeking a Licensed Psychiatric Social Worker II or Mental Health Clinician II to join our Prevention and Early Intervention (PEI) Suicide Prevention Specialist Team (SPST). The TAY Division is responsible for planning, developing, and implementing Mental Health Service Act (MHSA) programs for high-risk Seriously Emotionally Disturbed (SED) and Severe and Persistently Mentally Ill (SPMI) youth ages 16 through 25 years.

Essential Job Duties

- Serve as an active participant on the SPST; this team will assist DMH directly-operated clinics, contracted providers, and community based organizations with developing skills and competencies for detecting early signs of suicide and depression.
- Serve as the Division's community liaison to increase public awareness and serve as the Suicide Prevention expert that identifies age appropriate treatment modalities.
- Identify cultural barriers to suicide prevention, and integrate culturally competent practices into prevention and early intervention.
- Provide education, consultation, information, and training to directly operated, contract providers, and community agencies.

Desirable Qualifications:

- Strong communication and public speaking skills
- Expertise in the area of substance abuse and co-occurring disorders
- Experience in suicide prevention and intervention.
- Ability to establish effective and productive collaborative relationships with individuals representing various DMH bureaus, programs, other County departments, and community-based organizations.
- Excellent verbal and written communication skills; e.g. ability to present information in public settings and produce accurate reports for public dissemination.
- Intermediate level skills with Microsoft Office programs (Word, Excel, PowerPoint), and the Integrated System (IS) is highly desirable.
- ***Travel throughout the County is required.***

Interested individuals currently holding the title of Psychiatric Social Worker II or Mental Health Clinician II should submit a resume, last two (2) Performance Evaluations, last two years of master time sheets, and letter of interest **no later than 5:00 PM on Wednesday, March 14, 2012 to:**

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